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Filed: June 7, 1995 )  
For: NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCING PROCESSES )  
USING MODIFIED NUCLEOTIDES OR NUCLEO-) )  
TIDE ANALOGS, AND OTHER PROCESSES FOR )  
NUCLEIC ACID DETECTION AND CHROMO- )  
SOMAL CHARACTERIZATION USING SUCH )  
MODIFIED NUCLEOTIDES OR NUCLEOTIDE )  
ANALOGS (As Previously Amended) )  
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**AMENDMENT**

**[Re-Formated In Response To The April 7, 2004 Office Communication]**

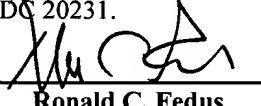
Sir:

This paper is directed to the April 7, 2004 Office Communication. A response to the April 7, 2004 Office Communication was originally due May 7, 2004. Filed herewith is a Request For Extension Of Time (1 Month) and authorization for the fee therefore. Accordingly, the time for response is extended to June 7, 2004, and this Amendment is being timely filed<sup>1</sup>.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper. Amendments to the Abstract are on page 17 of this paper. Amendments to the claims begin on page 18 of this paper.

<sup>1</sup> Aside from this first paragraph and the first paragraph in the Summary and Conclusions on the last page and the corrections to the informalities set forth in the April 7, 2004 Office Communication, this paper (Amendment) is identical to the Amendment filed on December 31, 2003.

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